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TASS: NATO AMBASSADORS DISSATISFIED WITH KISSINGER REMARKS

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(TEXT) WASHINGTON NOVEMBER 3 TASS--UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF STATE, ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS HENRY KISSINGER HAD ON FRIDAY AN HOUR-AND-A-HALF MEETING WITH AMBASSADORS OF WEST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, UNITED STATES PARTNERS IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC BLOC. THE MEETING WAS DEVOTED ENTIRELY TO THE MIDDLE EAST SITUATION AND THE UNITED STATES POLICY IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

KISSINGER'S MEETING WITH AMBASSADORS FROM WEST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES HELD ON THE UNITED STATES INITIATIVE IS REGARDED BY OBSERVERS AS WASHINGTON'S ATTEMPT TO SMOOTH OUT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND ITS NATO PARTNERS WHICH MANIFESTED THEMSELVES DURING THE AGGRAVATION OF THE CRISIS IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

THE UPI AGENCY POINTS OUT THAT WEST EUROPEAN AMBASSADORS WERE, OBVIOUSLY, NOT SATISFIED WITH THE REMARKS MADE BY THE UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF STATE.

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